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Reference: LPC 16304538 - St. Clair County - East St. Louis/Wastex
#2 - ILD980700744

Dear Mr. Mensing:

Pursuant to the above captioned correspondence, we hereby submit the following steps that have been or will be taken to address the apparent violations listed in paragraphs 2, 3, 4, and 5.

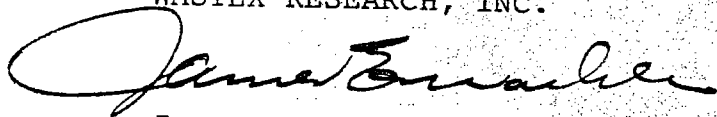
1. The security personnel have been instructed not to leave the main gate uncontrolled. In the event that he or she would have to leave the main gate for other security duties, he or she is to close and lock the main gate, and post a notice of his or her return. This absence should not exceed 10 minutes.
2. No additional open top drums shall be stored. The open top drums have priority disposal and shall be depleted within the next 120 days.
3. Mr. Joe D. Burroughs has been assigned the responsibility and duties to weekly inspect and shall be consistently conducted in accordance with Section 725.274, and documented in the inspection log as per Section 725.115. In addition to this, at the end of each shift, the security guard will also post any discrepancies noted as to leakers, fire extinguishers, etc.
4. In response to the last paragraph on page one, sentence number two, "A manifest review to determine the removal frequencies of this waste classified as D001 by your

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facility, shows that only two shipments of the waste have been made since January 1, 1982. This finding is inconsistent with a statement made in August 26, 1983 correspondence, which refers to a weekly removal and shipment of this waste to Trade Waste Incineration." Apparently there is some confusion between Ms. Diane Spencer and myself. My interpretation of this sentence is that we have only shipped two loads to Trade Waste Incineration since January 1, 1982. We did ship two loads in December of 1982. However, we also made 17 shipments in 1983, until such time that the incineration facility shut down for relocation. To better clarify my statement that we had shipped on a weekly basis, the contact water was removed from the fuel and placed in storage until such time that loads or shipments were accumulated to send to Trade Waste Incineration on an accumulated basis. The steps that we are taking to eliminate the impoundment area is outlined in our letter of August 26, 1983.

Respectfully submitted,

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James E. Markle,
President

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